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- 1. CHIEF MAAG AND POLITICAL COUNSELOR CALLED ON CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF, ADMIRAL SUNG CHANG-CHIH, AND MADE PRESENTATION IN CONFORMANCE WITH GUIDANCE CONTAINED IN REFTELS ON JUNE 27.
- 2. ADMIRAL SUNG WAS QUICK TO EXPRESS GRAVE DOUBT THAT
 ANY OF THE SALES MENTIONED COULD HAVE OCCURRED DURING HIS
 INCUMBENCY AS CGS (HE WAS APPOINTED JULY 1, 1976). ON HIS
 OWN INITIATIVE, I.E., BEFORE THIS POINT WAS REACHED IN THE
 DEMARCHE, HE REFERRED TO HIS PREVIOUS ASSURANCES TO CHIEF
 MAAG THAT HE WOULD ADVISE US IN ADVANCE OF ANY THIRD COUNTRY
 TRANSFERS OF U.S. DEFENSE ITEMS. DEPUTY CGS FOR LOGISTICS,
 LGEN TUNG PING, SUMMONED TO THE MEETING BY ADMIRAL SUNG,
 REACTED BY STATING THAT WHENEVER HE GROC HAD CONCLUDED
 A SALE TO A THIRD COUNTRY, IT HAD BEEN MOST CAREFUL NOT
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TO INCLUDE ANY ITEMS WHICH HAD BEEN PRODUCED BY MAP-SUPPLIED EQUIPMENT, CO-PRODUCTION, OR BY USE OF A TECHNICAL DATA PACKAGE.

3. ADMIRAL SUNG SAID HE BELIEVED THE GROC HAD NOT VIOLATED ITS VARIOUS AGREEMENTS WITH THE USG ON THESE MATTERS BUT HE WOULD CHECK THE ACCURACY OF THE INFORMATION

PROVIDED HIM AND WOULD HAVE AN ANSWER IN A WEEK'S TIME.

4. LATER SAME DAY, POLITICAL COUNSELOR CALLED ON MOFA DIRECTOR NORTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS, WANG MENG-HSIEN, AND FILLED HIM IN ON THE FOREGOING DEMARCHE. HE LEFT WITH HIM (AS HE HAD WITH ADMIRAL SUNG) A COPY OF THE KEY PROVISIONS OF CURRENT LEGISLATION GOVERNING THIRD COUNTRY TRANSFERS. WANG RECEIVED THE INFORMATION WITHOUT SUBSTANTIVE COMMENT.

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